

Alaska Local and Regional Information

Workforce Info

Tanaina

Tanaina is an unincorporated CDP located north of Wasilla, between Meadow Lakes and Fishhook. Many residents are employed in Wasilla, Palmer or Anchorage. Tanaina is part of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

- ♦ The estimated population for 2008 was 7,218, a gain of about 2,225 since the 2000 Census.
- ♦ About 63 percent of the resident population 16+ years old worked in 2008.
- ♦ Trade, Transportation and Utilities was the main industry in 2008, employing 21 percent of the area's workers.
- ♦ More workers were employed as Retail Salespersons than any other occupation.

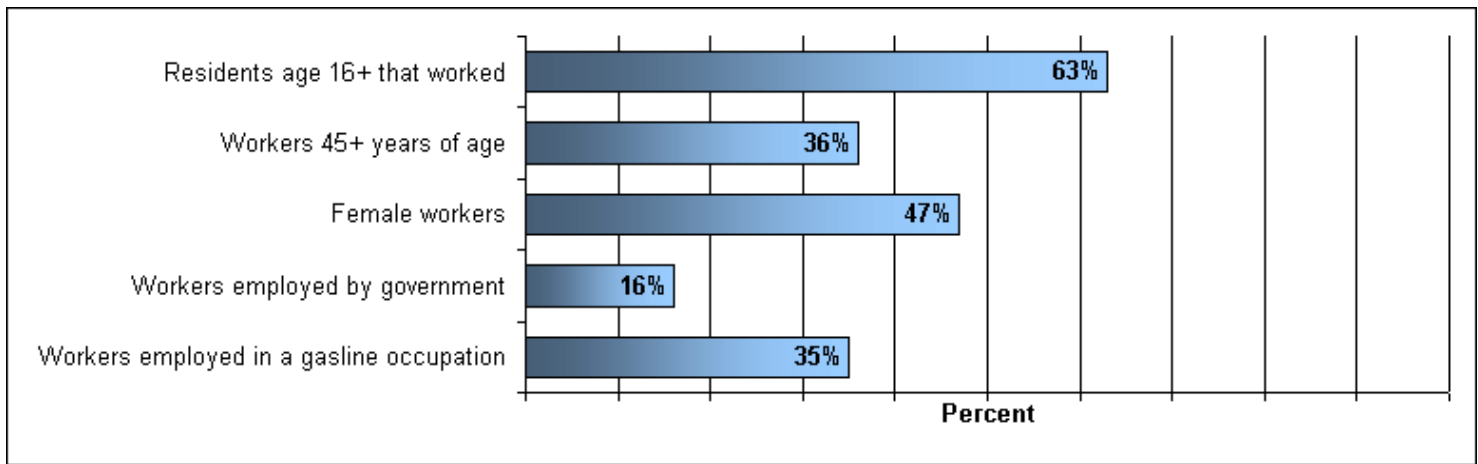
Please note: There is an important distinction between the local/regional employment data and our "standard" employment series. Most of these data reflect totals for area residents only. Total worker counts may be lower than expected in areas with a large number of nonresident workers. The Alaska Permanent Fund dividend file is used to determine the worker's geographic residence. Only Alaska residents (as defined by PFD application) are included in these totals. Also note that federal employees, the military, and the self-employed are not included in these data.

Tanaina Resident Snapshot (2008)

Working Age Residents		Wages	
Residents age 16+	5,160	Total wages	\$123,441,697
Resident Worker Characteristics		Resident Workers by Sector	
Total	3,228	Private	2,708
Male	1,703	State government	196
Female	1,524	Local government	324
Age 45+	1,169	Quarterly Number of Resident Workers	
Age 50+	735	Peak (3rd) quarter workers	2,868
		Percent working all 4 quarters	70.7%
Unemployment		Construction/AGIA Occupation Experience (2004-2008)	
UI Claimants	428	Some construction	815
		At least 1 year construction	552
		At least 2 years construction	387
New Hires		Worked in an AGIA occupation	2,194
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2008 Residents

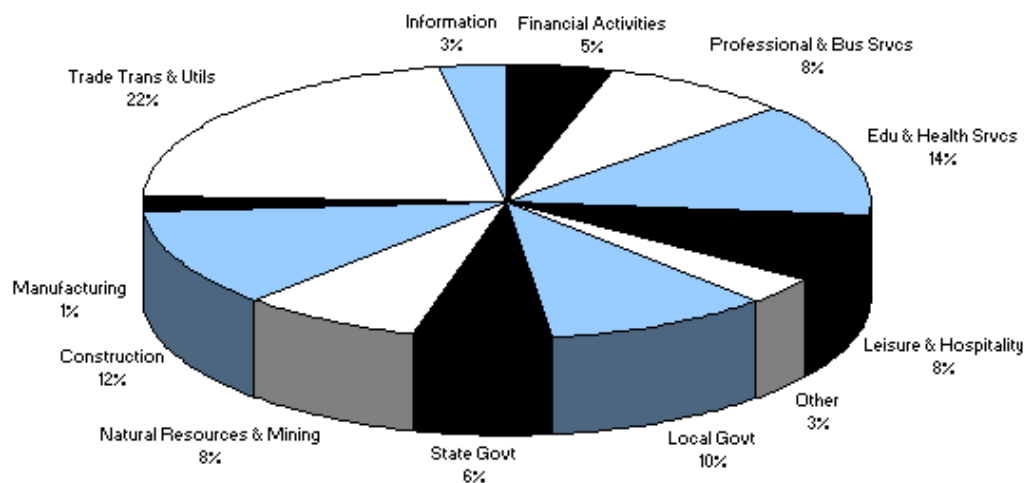


Top Occupations

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Retail Salespersons	134	57.5%	43	29
Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Vocational Education	116	69.8%	35	22
Construction Laborers AGIA HOT JOB	78	12.8%	9	7
Office Clerks, General AGIA	77	84.4%	30	15
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	72	52.8%	5	4
Cashiers	70	72.9%	23	14
Carpenters AGIA HOT JOB	65	4.6%	16	8
Electricians AGIA HOT JOB	49	4.1%	11	5
Waiters and Waitresses	45	84.4%	5	4
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators AGIA HOT JOB	45	2.2%	25	12
Food Preparation Workers AGIA	45	88.9%	5	4
Roustabouts, Oil and Gas	44	0.0%	6	5
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand AGIA	43	23.3%	11	5
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners AGIA	43	60.5%	18	9
Healthcare Support Workers, All Other	42	78.6%	14	6
Registered Nurses HOT JOB	42	85.7%	25	18
Teachers and Instructors, All Other	42	81.0%	19	11
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks AGIA HOT JOB	39	97.4%	16	14
Receptionists and Information Clerks AGIA	39	94.9%	15	11
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other AGIA	37	81.1%	12	8

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Resident Workers by Industry



Workers by Industry

	Number employed	Percent female	Age 45+	Age 50+
Natural Resources and Mining	259	5.8%	91	54
Construction	379	13.7%	108	62
Manufacturing	48	16.7%	17	13
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	692	43.1%	275	182
Information	105	46.7%	42	22
Financial Activities	148	70.9%	50	34
Professional and Business Services	267	43.4%	88	50
Educational and Health Services	437	81.0%	174	110
Leisure and Hospitality	265	62.6%	33	21
State Government	196	48.5%	94	58
Local Government	324	65.1%	161	104
Other	107	51.4%	36	25
Unknown	*	*	*	*

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Recent Unemployment Statistics

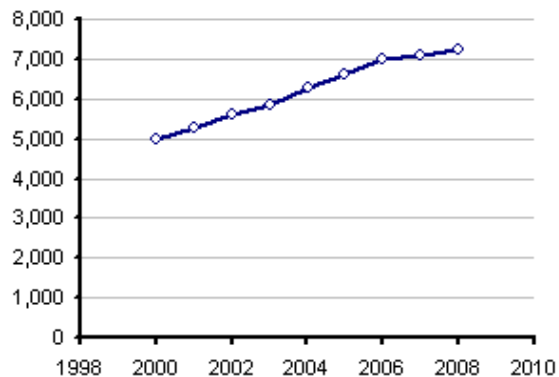
	09/2009	10/2009	11/2009	12/2009
UI Claimants**	0	0	0	0

**UI claimants are individuals in this area who had an active claim at any time during the month.

Top Employers (ranked by number of workers)

Mat Su Borough Schools
State of AK (excludes U of A)
ASRC Energy Services O&M Inc
Palmer-Wasilla Health System LLC
Wal-Mart Associates Inc
Veco Alaska Inc
Fred Meyer Stores Inc
Safeway Inc
Nana Management Services LLC
Matanuska Susitna Borough

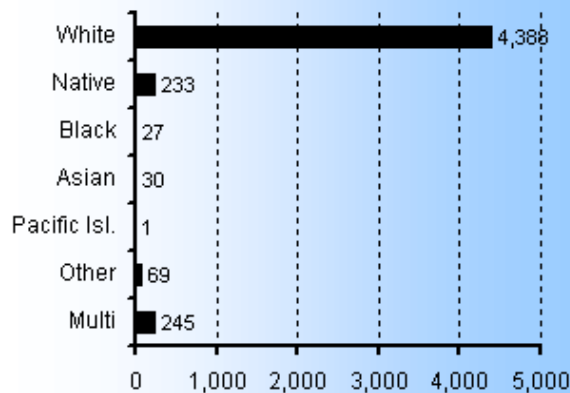
Population over Time



2000 Census

Median Age	31.5
Average Family Size	3.5
Average Household Size	3.1
Per Capita Income	\$23,967
Median Family Income	\$71,629
Median Household Income	\$64,491

Population by Race



(Note: Racial classification is based on self identification. The "Multi" category consists of those who claim to be members of more than one race. The "Native" category includes Alaska Natives and American Indians.)

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section
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